CONSULTATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AT BARISHAL

Law Enforcement Agency (LEA) is one of the key stakeholders of Bandhu Social Welfare Society and arrange regular divisional level consultations focusing specific agenda. These consultations help Bandhu to introduce their activities at local level thus help them to implement the program at local level with the support of LEA.

In January 2020, Bandhu conducted a consultation with Barishal LEA under RGDP project where a total of 38 participants including DIG, ADC, Sub Inspectors and Asst. Sub Inspectors, attended. For more interactive sessions, Bandhu also invited community members and journalists to share their experience and challenges with the forum. The main focus of the session was to collect recommendations on future actions and strengthen collaboration between the gender diverse community including Hijra population and LEA at local level.

In the welcome remarks Shale Ahmed, Executive Director of Bandhu expressed his gratitude to Barishal Metropolitan Police for their support at local level. He also mentioned that to improve the quality of life of Third Gender, inclusion of this community in the mainstream is important.
“It is not the individual responsibility of a person or an organization to transform the society. It is collective endeavor where society may go ahead with all of our support.

MD. SHAHABUDDIN KHAN BPM (BAR)
DIG and Police Commissioner
Barishal Metropolitan Police

After the consultation, each participant committed to support the community within their territory and will consider them from humanitarian perspective so that they can lead a life with dignity with positive atmosphere.

IMMEDIATE OUTCOME

- All police officers will provide legal support to the Hijra community according to their need.
- All participants committed that they will sensitize other police officers about this community in Barishal.
- The Police Commissioner and other Deputy Commissioners committed to support the Hijra community in terms of job.